

*Faith United Methodist Church*

*God's People Gather to Worship at 9:00 am*

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader Come away from dullness and complacency. Wake up! God is calling us to listen and learn.

Response *The heavens are telling the glory of God. The firmament proclaims God's handiwork.*

Leader How long will we refuse the wisdom God offers? How long will we ignore God's counsel and reproof?

Response *The law of God is perfect, reviving the soul. The decrees of God are sure, making wise the simple.*

Leader Our waywardness separates us from God. Then, when we call on God, we hear no answer.

Response *We gather to renew our relationship with God. We seek enlightenment and the revival of our souls.*

† OPENING HYMN 145 Morning Has Broken

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 885

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (IN UNISON)

God of all worlds, we confess our arrogance in turning away from the knowledge you offer and the relationship with us that you desire. We make light of your commandments and scoff at discipline and boundaries as if they did not apply to us. Our tongues reveal our ignorance before the vastness of your truth. The words we speak in error spread poison that cannot be contained. Our waywardness is destroying us. Our complacency before evil, within us and all around, threatens life itself. O God, we cry out for forgiveness. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

We eat the fruits of our way and are sated with our own devices. Words of confession are not enough to break the patterns of complacency and self-justification that separate us from God. Thankfully, our Creator knows our honest intent. If we truly turn from our insolent, undisciplined ways, a new way is opening up for us, and God welcomes us as partners in the gospel. In keeping God's ordinances, there is unexpected reward.

PSALTER Psalm 19 Page 750, UMH

† NEW TESTAMENT READING James 3:9-12 Page 855, pew Bible

OFFERING/OFFERTORY Exodus 25:1-2

DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Page 95, UMH

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

† HYMN 424 Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone

SERMON Do No Harm Rev. Edgar A. Brady

HYMN OF CELEBRATION 77 How Great Thou Art

PRAYER

† SENDING May the Lord grant you peace through your knowledge of the Lord until we are together again in the Lord's House. Amen.

† HYMN 666 Shalom to You

*Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost*

*September 16, 2018*

*God's People Gather to Worship at 11:00 am*

† GREETINGS

† OPENING SONGS OF PRAISE

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

BAPTISM OF ANDERSON BANDIERA

† SONGS OF PRAISE

† NEW TESTAMENT READING James 3:9-12 Page 855, pew Bible

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PRAYER

† OFFERING/SONGS OF PRAISE

† SENDING FORTH

*You are invited to the communion rail during this time for prayers of healing, intercession for others, strength and comfort, confession, salvation, or any other need. The Pastor and prayer team will meet you there.*

† Please stand if you are able.



Good morning and welcome to Faith United Methodist Church. Our hope is that you will feel God's presence through friendly faces, meaningful worship, and opportunities to serve God's people. We are blessed by your presence and our doors are always open to you. *Please complete a visitor card found in the back of the pew in front of you and give it to an usher.* We have a gift for you that we feel will have an impact on your life! We hope you feel at home and invite you to worship with us again.